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| For: DEVICE FOR SUPPORTING INSERTION OF | )                            |
| MEDICAL INSTRUMENT INTO HUMAN BODY      | ) Date: May 31, 2011         |

**REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION**

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Sir:

This is responsive to the Office Action dated February 4, 2011 in the above application. In view of the following remarks, reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested.